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Mrs. Effa Manley  
55 Somerset Street  
Newark, N.J.

Dear Mrs. Manley:

Regret that I could not answer before this morning, but I was unable to see the man who runs the park until today because he was out of town with the club. Here is the set-up. Jelly Jackson, who has a Washington job and has decided not to play with the Grays this season, is booked to manage the club. May 10th, the Saturday date, I wrote you about would be ideal, but May 9, being Friday is an uncertain day because the majority of the people work late. However, a twilight game could be arranged... say to start at 4 or 4:15 and we would certainly be able to play seven or eight innings before dark.

Terms could be arranged as follows: Guarantee of \$75 with an optional privilege of 35 per cent of the gate; or \$50 with same optional privilege and two meals for 25 players. You see this man who owns the club, Mr. James Paige, runs a farm house there and he could arrange to



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have meals served to the players inasmuch as he cooks sandwiches, etc., for sale at his games. It is also possible that a night's lodging could be arranged for the players if necessary.

That is the best I could arrange at this time, inasmuch as it will be sort of a pre-season "exhibition" but I think if weather is good, etc., the percentage could be a good share as the park is located only about two miles from where Israel lives and folks around there would flock to the game. If unable to make arrangements for this game perhaps we can get together on another later in the season.

I understand there may be on hitch and suggest that if you agree to play to take care of this matter---The Grays, as I get it, have priority rights over that territory inasmuch as it is within their area and it would be necessary to ascertain their permission. Is this true? Thanks for any consideration you may give this proposition and best wishes.

Very truly yours,

*Art Carter*  
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